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A Cadet Corps may be established in connection with a Public School, according to the Regulations of the Department of Education, as contained in the circular of instructions No. 10, and military drill would then be given in the school. The Public School Regulations require that exercises in physical culture shall be given in connection with the course of study. For this the teachers of the school require no military certificate. The pupils may, therefore, acquire a knowledge of drill and receive instruction in physical culture in every school.

As already intimated in the circular of instructions No. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, Lord Strathcona has established a Fund, the interest of which will be disposed of by the Strathcona Trust Committee for distribution to the Provinces of the Dominion, as special awards or prizes in connection with physical training, drill, and rifle shooting.

The sum of \$4,000.00 has been allotted to Ontario for 1911, and has been divided between the Public, Separate, and High Schools, in accordance with the provisions of the regulations of the local committee of the Strathcona Trust for Ontario. The Public School portion has been subdivided among the several Inspectorates.

The amounts available for your Inspectorate under the three headings are as follows:—

Physical Training Military Drill Rifle Shooting

The competitions in physical training, as stated in the Regulations, are to be based on the courses contained in the syllabus of physical exercises*; and as no special portions of the book have been selected, it is open to each county committee to arrange the competition this year as in its judgment seems best.

The Executive Committee of the Teachers' Association is the body appointed to arrange and carry into effect the competition in physical training in each Inspectorate.

On the receipt of the report of the Committee that the competition has been arranged for, and will be carried into effect this year, the amount for your Inspectorate will be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Committee.

The awards for military drill and rifle shooting are to be made on joint action by the School Inspector, the Executive Committee of the Teachers' Association, and the Officers of the Militia, as provided by the regulations.

It will be necessary for your Committee to come to a conclusion immediately as to whether any action can be taken in your Inspectorate this year, and to notify the Deputy Minister of Education without delay, so that it may be known if the funds placed at the Committee's disposal will be used or revert to the general fund in any or all of the three competitions.

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*Syllabus of Physical Exercises for Schools, published by the Executive Council,

